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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: AUGMENTED AGREEMENT

REF: A) STATE 86600 B) MOSCOW 5174 C) STATE 091157

1. IN ORDER EMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO SUBJECT, CHARGE REQUESTED HAND SOONEST TO APPROPRIATE OFFICIAL AT MFA TEXT OF OUR DRAFT AUGMENTED EXCHANGES AGREEMENT (SEPTEL). IN SO DOING, YOU SHOULD STATE THAT WE HAVE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO SOVIET DRAFT (TEXT AIR POUCHED) AND HAVE INCORPORATED IN OUR DRAFT NOT ONLY GENERAL STATEMENTS OF ENCOURAGEMENT FOR BROAD RANGE OF EXCHANGES DRAWN FROM SOVIET DRAFT BUT ALSO SPECIFIC PROPOSALS FOR EXPANDING EXISTING EXCHANGES AND FOR CONSTITUTING OTHERS. WE BELIEVE THAT BOTH GENERAL AND SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS ARE DESIRABLE AND NECESSARY ELEMENTS IF NEW AGREEMENT IS TO MAINTAIN MOMENTUM OF OUR EXCHANGES RELATIONSHIP AND ADEQUATELY REFLECT SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN OUR OVERALL RELATIONS. YOU SHOULD STRESS THIS POINT, AND MAY DRAW ON PARAGRAPH 3 OF REF. C FOR SALIENT

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FEATURES OF OUR DRAFT.

2. RE DURATION, YOU MAY WISH POINT OUT THAT THREE- YEAR PERIOD BRINGS EXCHANGES AGREEMENT INTO PHASE WITH COOPERATION AGREEMENTS SIGNED AT MOSCOW SUMMIT MEETING AND WILL FACILITATE PLANNING FOR EVENTS RELATED TO APPROACHING US BICENTENNIAL, INCLUDING MINCULT FURTSEVA' S PROPOSAL (MADE DURING HER RECENT WASHINGTON VISIT) TO BRING BOLSHOI OPERA AND BALLET TO US IN 1976.

3. RE TIMING OF NEGOTIATIONS, PLEASE SEEK MFA REACTION TO OUR PROPOSAL (REF C) TO USSR EMBASSY (SAKOVICH) THAT SOVIETS SEND NEGOTIATING TEAM HERE BY MAY 21. SES DIRECTOR WILL HEAD TEAM OF US EXPERTS AND WE WOULD HOPE THAT TALKS COULD BE COMPLETED IN RELATIVELY BRIEF PERIOD. REQUEST YOU CABLE COMPOSITION OF SOV DEL ASAP.

4. DEPARTMENT WILL HAND OUR DRAFT TO SAKOVICH AND WILL SPEAK TO HIM ALONG FOREGOING LINES.

5. ADVISE DATE OF DELIVERY AND SOVIET REACTION. PORTER

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